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S.B. 17 Talking Points

Purpose of SB 17 – To correct an oversight within the NRS that does not permit the DMV to issue two sets of license plates to recipients of the Purple Heart, former Prisoners of War (POWs), disabled veterans, and Pearl Harbor veterans. Currently, only Medal of Honor recipients are allowed to have two sets of plates.

Economic Impact – There is no economic impact on either the State or counties.

Soundbite -- This bill would equally recognize those veterans who gave the most. Although there are very few of these eligible veterans, the impact and meaning upon those would be tremendous. Nevada needs to finally eradicate this oversight and honor all recipients uniformly.

Additional Information

There are no Medal of Honor recipients currently residing within the State of Nevada. As of February 5th, there were no Medal of Honor plates issued.

There are currently 202 former Prisoners of War within Nevada. As of February 5th, there were 117 former Prisoner of War plates issued.

In 1995, there were 165 Pearl Harbor survivors in Nevada. Today, it is estimated there are a little more than half that amount. As of February 5th, there were 66 Pearl Harbor Survivor plates issued.

To be eligible for this plate, the veteran must be deemed 100% service-connected disabled. There are currently less than 2,000 disabled veterans within Nevada that meet this criteria. As of February 5th, there were 1,185 disabled veteran plates issued.

As of February 5th, there were 1,161 Purple Heart recipient plates issued.

Informational Materials

www.pearlharborsurvivorsonline.org (Pearl Harbor Survivors)

www.purpleheart.org (Purple Heart)

www.cmohs.org (Medal of Honor)

www.axpow.org (Ex-Prisoners of War)